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Date Requested:

Author(s): Keith Mancini, Camilia Nguyen, Michelle Davis

Reviewer(s): Linda Bird (primary)

Disposition Date: 10/10/2012

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Project Number: Date Approved in Domicile:

Requested Filing Mode: Review & Approval Domicile Status Comments: Colorado provides an exemption

to filing for group annuity contracts, as per CO Bulletin 5-92, (March 13, 1992) "...the filing of the annual Life Insurance and

Annuity Form Exemption List is no longer required."

Explanation for Combination/Other: Market Type: Group

Submission Type: New Submission Group Market Size: Small and Large

Group Market Type: Employer Overall Rate Impact:

Filing Status Changed: 10/10/2012

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Created By: Camilia Nguyen Submitted By: Camilia Nguyen

Corresponding Filing Tracking Number:

Filing Description:

New Form Filing, Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Company

FEIN# 84-0467907 NAIC# 769-68322

RE: Group Annuity Submission:

Separate Account Rider,

Form Number: GGF 10 FFII (rev 11-11)

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Sincerely,

Camilia Nguyen, Lead Paralegal, Law Department camilia.nguyen@gwl.com

# **Company and Contact**

#### **Filing Contact Information**

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Greenwood Village, CO 80111

camilia.nguyen@gwl.com 800-537-2033 [Phone] 73822 [Ext] 303-801-6056 [FAX] SERFF Tracking #: GWSE-128619280 State Tracking #:

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Great-West Life & Annuity CoCode: 68322 State of Domicile: Colorado

Insurance Company Group Code: 769 Company Type: 8515 E. Orchard Road Group Name: State ID Number:

Greenwood Village, CO 80111 FEIN Number: 84-0467907

(800) 537-2033 ext. 73819[Phone]

**Filing Fees** 

Fee Required? Yes
Fee Amount: \$50.00
Retaliatory? No

Fee Explanation: \$50.00 per form. 1 form total.

Per Company: No

CompanyAmountDate ProcessedTransaction #Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Company\$50.0010/05/201263501188

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Comment:

Rate data does NOT apply to filing.

Schedule	Schedule Item	Schedule Item Status	Public Access
Supporting Document	Flesch Certification		Yes
Supporting Document	Application		Yes
Supporting Document	Life & Annuity - Acturial Memo		No
Supporting Document	Cover Letter		Yes
Supporting Document	Redlined of changes to the Rider and its SOV		Yes
Supporting Document	Form Utilization		Yes
Supporting Document	Memorandum of Variable Material		Yes
Form	Guaranteed Government Fund - Separate Account Rider		Yes

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# **Form Schedule**

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Item	Schedule Item	Form	Form	Form	Action/	Readability	
No.	Status	Number	Туре	Name	Action Specific Data	Score	Attachments
1		GGF 10 FFII	POLA	Guaranteed Government Fund -	Revised:	0.000	GGF 10 FFII (rev 11-11)
		(rev 11-11)		Separate Account Rider	Replaced Form #: GGF 10		10-14-11.pdf
					FFII		
					Previous Filing #: GWSE-		
					127118123		

Form Type Legend:

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ADV	Advertising	AEF	Application/Enrollment Form
CER	Certificate	CERA	Certificate Amendment, Insert Page, Endorsement or Rider
DDP	Data/Declaration Pages	FND	Funding Agreement (Annuity, Individual and Group)
MTX	Matrix	NOC	Notice of Coverage
ОТН	Other	OUT	Outline of Coverage
PJK	Policy Jacket	POL	Policy/Contract/Fraternal Certificate
POLA	Policy/Contract/Fraternal Certificate: Amendment, Insert Page, Endorsement or Rider	SCH	Schedule Pages

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c) Great-West and the Plan-Sponsor may agree to another option allowable under applicable law.

#### Applicability of State Guarantee Funds

Assets in the GGF are not covered by state guarantee funds.

#### <u>Ownership</u>

Great-West has absolute ownership of the assets of the Separate Account. All monies invested in the Separate Account are maintained and held separate and apart from Great-West's General Account and any other investment account Great-West may have. That portion of the assets of the Separate Account which is equal to the reserves and other contractual liabilities with respect to each Separate Account shall not be chargeable with liabilities arising out of any other business Great-West may conduct. Income, gains or losses, realized and unrealized, on assets in each Separate Account are credited or charged against that Separate Account without regard to other income, gains or losses in other fixed or variable accounts or Great-West's other income, gains or losses.

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The Contract Termination Options are:

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- 2. Market Value of the GGF Great-West will pay the lesser of the Market Value or the Book Value of the Plan assets in the GGF within 30 days after the contract termination date. After notification of contract termination date, Great-West will sell all non-cash assets in the GGF account attributable to the terminating contract and convert them to cash assets or short-term money market instruments. The time when all non-cash assets have been converted to cash or short-term money market instruments will be no later than the contract termination date.
- 3. Any other termination option allowable under applicable law, as mutually agreed upon in writing by Plan Sponsor and an authorized officer of Great-West.

[Signed for Great-V	Vest Life & Annuity	/ Insurance	Company	on [January	1, 2013 <b>]</b>	[the	<b>Effective</b>
Date of the Contract	t].						

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[Signed and accepted by the Plan Sponsor and attached to its Contract on [January 1, 2013].

Plan Sponsor name:			
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# **Supporting Document Schedules**

		Item Status:	Status Date:
Satisfied - Item:	Flesch Certification		
Comments:			
Attachment(s):			
AR Readability Exemptio	n.pdf		
AR Certification - ACA 23	3-79-138.pdf		
AR Certification - Rule &	Reg 19.pdf		
AR Certification - Rule &	Reg 49.pdf		
		Item Status:	Status Date:
Satisfied - Item:	Application		
Comments:	The Form will be attached to group annuity contract "GF	VAC 10 FFII" approved by your depart	ment on June 23, 2010, with SERFF
	tracking number GWSE-126677564, and State tracking	number PF-2010-01273, along with the	application "GAC A 10 FFII" under
	the same tracking numbers.		
		Item Status:	Status Date:
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Cover letter - GGF 10 FF	II (rev 11-11) 10-05-12.pdf		
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GGF 10 FFII (rev 11-11)	10-14-11 (redlined).pdf		
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GGF 10 FFII (rev 11-11) - SoV.pdf

#### Readability Exemption

#### Arkansas:

This product is exempt, as per A.C.A. §23-80-204 "This subchapter shall apply to all policies delivered or issued for delivery in this state by any company on or after the date the forms must be approved under this subchapter....(3) Any group annuity contract which serves as a funding vehicle for pension, profit-sharing, or deferred compensation plans".

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RE:	•	GGF 10 FFII (rev 11-11)
		,

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10/05/2012 Date

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October 5, 2012

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Unless otherwise agreed between the parties, should Market Value decrease to [93%] of Book Value or less, Great-West shall restrict all Transfers from the GGF, following notice to Participants, Alternate Payees and Beneficiaries, until such time as the Market Value exceeds [93%] of Book Value for ninety (90) calendar days.

#### Plan-Sponsor-Initiated Events

The Plan-Sponsor shall provide notification to Great-West at least thirty (30) days in advance of an Plan-Sponsor-Initiated Event.

Upon the occurrence of an Plan-Sponsor-Initiated Event, Great-West may elect one of the following options:

- a) the Plan-Sponsor will be required to elect a Contract Termination Option with respect to the GGF assets affected by the Plan-Sponsor-Initiated Event;
- b) Great-West will remit the lesser of the Book Value or the Market Value upon any Participant, Alternate Payee or Beneficiary Distribution, including a plan-to-plan transfer or transfer from a governmental plan to purchase service credits, that occurs within twelve (12) months after the date Great-West recognizes the Plan-Sponsor-Initiated Event. However, if the average of the 3 year and 5 year Treasury Constant Maturity rates, as published on the [United States Federal Reserve Website], as of the Event Date, is 300 basis points or more above the lowest weekly average of the 3 and 5 year Constant Maturity Treasuries rates over the previous 104 weeks, the duration of this option b) shall be thirty-six (36) months;
- c) Great-West and the Plan-Sponsor may agree to another option allowable under applicable law.

#### Applicability of State Guarantee Funds

Assets in the GGF are not covered by state guarantee funds.

#### Ownership

Great-West has absolute ownership of the assets of the Separate Account. All monies invested in the Separate Account are maintained and held separate and apart from Great-West's General Account and any other investment account Great-West may have. That portion of the assets of the Separate Account which is equal to the reserves and other contractual liabilities with respect to each Separate Account shall not be chargeable with liabilities arising out of any other business Great-West may conduct. Income, gains or losses, realized and unrealized, on assets in each Separate Account are credited or charged against that Separate Account without regard to other income, gains or losses in other fixed or variable accounts or Great-West's other income, gains or losses.

#### Contract Termination

At least sixty (60) calendar days before the contract termination date, Plan Sponsor must notify Great-West, in writing of its selection from among the Contract Termination Options described below. Great-West shall remit all GGF amounts pursuant to the Plan Sponsor elections.

The Contract Termination Options are:

- Maintenance of Each Participant Annuity Account Great-West will maintain each Participant GGF Account Value until it is applied to a payment option or distributed to a Participant or Beneficiary. When such individual transactions are applied or paid, they will be calculated at the Book Value of the GGF Account.
- 2. Market Value of the GGF Great-West will pay the lesser of the Market Value or the Book Value of the Plan assets in the GGF within 30 days after the contract termination date. After notification of contract termination date, Great-West will sell all non-cash assets in the GGF account attributable to the terminating contract and convert them to cash assets or short-term money market instruments. The time when all non-cash assets have been converted to cash or short-term money market instruments will be no later than the contract termination date.

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# Memorandum of Variable Material

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#### Separate Account Rider – Guaranteed Government Fund

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